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1. The Deputy Director of Meszhart (Hungarian-Soviet Navigation Company), was in East Germany to negotiate the purchase of an 8,000-ton ship which will be used for trade with the Far East.
2. The Gheorghiu-Dej Shipyard, the former Ganz Shipyard, Budapest, has received an order to build three ships for Poland.
3. the following Soviet ships were reported in transit all headed for the Far East: ARALSK, BLAGOVESHCHENSK, and YUZHNO SAKHALINSK. These are three of a total number of eighty ships built (and in the process of construction) at the Gheorghiu-Dej Shipyard in Budapest.
4. Transit of the Rumanian ship TRANSYLVANIA, in service on the Odessa, Constanta (Varna), Durazzo and return route, has frequently been noted.

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